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The White House: National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness

Available for download at this link: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/National-Strategy-for-the-COVID-19-Response-and-Pandemic-Preparedness.pdf>

INFO: Senior Leadership Brief COVID-19 for January 22, 2021

For Your Situational Awareness,

Attached is the latest Senior Leadership Brief COVID-19 for January 22, 2021.

PA BEOC Update: Situation Reports and Resources

- Fake LinkedIn Profiles (attached)

The FBI's Charlotte Field Office in coordination with the FBI's Office of Private Sector (OPS), provide this LIR to inform the financial services sector about the ongoing use of fictitious LinkedIn profiles as a threat

vector for criminal activity. Cyber criminals and nation-state advanced persistent threat (APT) actors use fake LinkedIn profiles to deliver malware, while others use LinkedIn as an enabler to social engineering

operations. Sophisticated APT actors utilize fake profiles while identifying targets, developing

COVID-19 and Operational Information:

- **PEMA COVID-19 Operations Update: January 22, 2021** (attached)
- **PA Department of Health Situation Report for January 21, 2021** (attached)

- **PEMA Operations Update (non-COVID)**

<https://www.pema.pa.gov/Response/Internal-Operations/CWWC/Pages/Operations-Reports.aspx>

- **L&I Issuing Extended PUA Benefit Payments**

Today, Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) announced that payments for the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program in the new federal CARES Act extension are resuming.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Program Extension. PUA assists workers who lost their jobs due to COVID-19 and are not typically eligible for other unemployment compensation programs. This includes gig workers, freelancers, and self-employed workers. <https://www.media.pa.gov/pages/labor-and-industry-details.aspx?newsid=527>

PA BEOC Update: Roll-Up of Resources

Business and Continuity Information:

- **Updated Information: Faked LinkedIn Profiles – Increasingly Sophisticated, Prolific, and Persistent Threat Vector** (attached)

LinkedIn is an employment-focused social media platform that is often utilized to network and recruit. Cybercriminals utilize the platform to spread malware through infected documents, while Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) groups from countries such as Iran and China have created very sophisticated fake profiles to identify and develop likely contacts for recruitment. APT groups also utilize these fake platforms to elicit intelligence and insight into specific sectors and markets. The FBI's LIR has indicators for these fake accounts as well as instructions for reporting incidents to the FBI. The CIKR Intelligence Bulletin contains mitigation strategies to minimize the risk. Finally, if you or your organization has had an incident, please notify the PaCIC CIKR Unit at sp-protectpa@pa.gov.

- **COVID-19 PaCIC CI/KR Weekly Situation Report – 01/22/2021 from our partners at the PA Criminal Intelligence Center (PaCIC)** (attached)

The PaCIC is providing the attached situation report to provide owners and operators of critical infrastructure and key resources (CIKR) with current COVID-19 information. Additionally, the PaCIC has created an information sharing website to provide communication and updated information regarding COVID-19. The website is accessible at <https://share.dhs.gov/paciccovid-19/>.

COVID-19 and Operational Information:

- **Department of Health Provides Update on COVID-19: 4,758 Patients Hospitalized and 851 Patients in the Intensive Care Unit - 5,338 Additional Positive Cases of COVID-19**

The Pennsylvania Department of Health today confirmed as of 12:00 a.m., January 22, there were 5,338 additional positive cases of COVID-19, bringing the statewide total to 794,172.

There are 4,758 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. Of that number, 851 patients are in the intensive care unit with COVID-19. Most of the patients hospitalized are ages 65 or older, and most of the deaths have occurred in patients 65 or older. More data is available [here](#).

The trend in the 14-day moving average number of hospitalized patients per day has increased by nearly 4,500 since the end of September.

Statewide percent positivity for the week of January 8 – January 14 stood at 12.7%.

The most accurate [daily data](#) is available on the website, with [archived data](#) also available.

As of 11:59 p.m. Thursday, January 21, there were 193 new deaths reported for a total of 20,321 deaths attributed to COVID-19. County-specific information and a statewide map are available on the [COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#).

- **State Police Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement January 18-21: 1,110 Compliance Checks; 16 Notices of Violation**

Pennsylvania State Police Liquor Control Enforcement Officers visited 1,110 licensed liquor establishments from Monday, January 18 through Thursday, January 21 to ensure businesses are abiding by COVID-19 mitigation requirements that include social distancing, masking, and other health and safety requirements of the liquor code.

Liquor Control Enforcement Officers issued 16 notices of violation and 30 warnings for failing to follow COVID-19 requirements. As mandated by the liquor code, a notice of violation precedes the issuance of an administrative citation, which is civil in nature, and is intended to provide licensed liquor establishments notification of the nature of violation(s) discovered. The investigation remains open during this period, pending review by the Pennsylvania State Police Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement (BLCE). Because the investigation is ongoing, names of establishments issued a notice of violation will not be released at this time. Each BLCE district office posts a monthly [public information release](#) that includes details on citations issued by that office. More information is available on the [enforcement page of the state police COVID-19 portal](#).

PA COVID-19 Vaccine Page

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Vaccine/Pages/Vaccine.aspx>

Includes eligibility information and a series of questions so Pennsylvanians can see if they are eligible and where they can get the vaccine.

NJ COVID-19 Updates

Updated COVID-19 Information

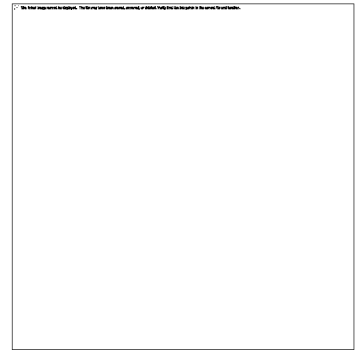


This Week's NJ COVID-19 Updates

Do you have questions about getting tested for COVID-19, contact tracing, traveling to or from the State of New Jersey, or even finding a new job? The State of New Jersey offers up-to-date information, resources, and guidance at our [COVID-19 Information Hub](#).

Vaccine Rollout Continues

Many New Jerseyans are eligible for vaccines – however, vaccination appointment availability is extremely limited at this time due to supply limitations. [Visit covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://covid19.nj.gov/vaccine) to learn more about which priority groups are eligible for vaccination in New Jersey and to register with the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System. If you are not yet eligible, pre-register in the scheduling system and get notified when you become eligible.

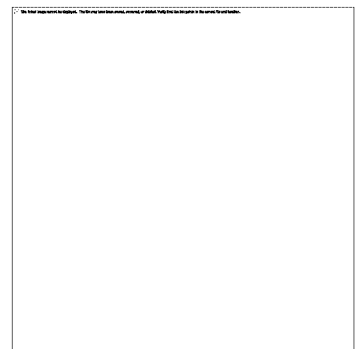


[If you are eligible, you can find available appointments through the scheduling system or you can make an appointment directly with one of the many additional designated vaccination sites across New Jersey.](#) Please note that due to high demand, designated vaccination sites may be fully booked at this time.

[Learn More](#)

Open Enrollment Closes Soon

Open Enrollment for Get Covered New Jersey, our state-based health insurance marketplace, ends Sunday, January 31st. This year, more financial help is available than ever before. Eight in ten consumers will qualify for assistance to lower the cost of a plan. [Visit getcovered.nj.gov today](https://getcovered.nj.gov) to find the right plan for you and your family. You can also [visit the GetCoveredNJ Find Local Assistance page](#) to find free and certified Assistors in your area who can help you enroll.

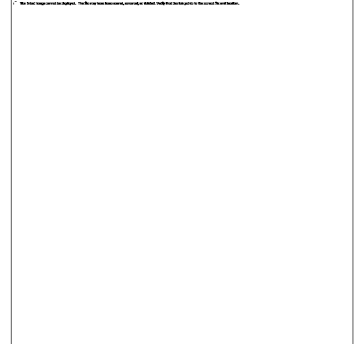


[Visit getcovered.nj.gov](https://getcovered.nj.gov)

Get Tested

After traveling or being in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, it's especially important to **get tested**. You could have COVID-19 and not even know it. Protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community by getting tested at any of the 400+ testing sites across New Jersey.

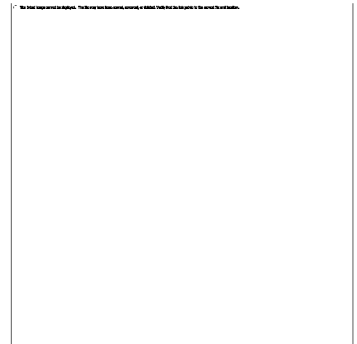
[Find a Testing Site](#)



Download COVID Alert NJ

New Jersey's free exposure notification app is available for download for in the **Apple App Store** or **Google Play Store**. The app anonymously alerts users if they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 and also provides users with up-to-date information on New Jersey reopening news, key COVID-19 metrics, and a user-friendly symptom tracking tool.

[Learn More](#)



Vax Matters Newsletter

Every week, the NJ Department of Health is sharing information about vaccination in New Jersey through the Vax Matters newsletter.

Last week's newsletter includes information about policy changes in New Jersey, vaccine distribution, and the latest public health information about COVID-19 and vaccines.

[Read the Latest Issue](#)

[Visit COVID-19 Info Hub](#)

New Jersey COVID-19 Vaccine Page

<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>

Includes information on eligibility and how to register for vaccination

Delaware COVID-19 Vaccine Page

<https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/vaccine/>

Includes where to get vaccinated for Phase 1A and 1B Delaware residents

City Provides Update on COVID-19 for Friday, January 22, 2021

City Provides Update on COVID-19 for Friday, January 22, 2021 | Department of Public Health | City of Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA – The Philadelphia Department of Public Health today announced 367 additional confirmed cases of COVID-19 novel coronavirus in Philadelphia. That brings the number of confirmed cases to 102,901. In addition, the Department of Public Health also announced 52 new probable cases from rapid antigen tests.

The Department of Public Health confirmed 28 additional fatalities in Philadelphia. This brings the number of residents who have succumbed to the virus in Philadelphia to 2,786. Of the 2,786 total deaths, 1,072 (38%) were long-term care facility residents.

The Department of Public Health reports 499 patients with COVID-19 are currently being treated in Philadelphia hospitals, with a total of 82 on ventilators.

COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form: The City has launched the [COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form](#), which residents can use to notify the Department of Public Health that they want to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Residents are encouraged to provide contact information and some limited personal information on the City's website—phila.gov/vaccineinterest—which is available in English and Spanish. Those who complete the interest form will be contacted later by the Department of Public Health or one of the City's vaccine partners when they can schedule an appointment. The information collected on this form is protected, using the same level of security as other health information maintained by the Department of Public Health, and is completely secure.

Due to extremely limited vaccine supply at this time, residents cannot set appointments using this website. Furthermore, it may take weeks or months before residents will be able to schedule appointments. However, by registering on the phila.gov/vaccineinterest website, residents can ensure that they will be notified when the vaccine becomes available to them.

Press Access to COVID-19 Vaccine: The Department of Public Health has clarified that members of the media are included in the Phase 1c IT and Telecommunications sub-group. If any members of the media wish to express their interest in being vaccinated, they should select that when completing the COVID-19 Vaccine Interest Form at phila.gov/vaccineinterest.

Philadelphia COVID-19 Restaurant and Gym Relief Program: The City and PIDC today announced the Philadelphia COVID-19 Restaurant and Gym Relief Program, a \$12 million grant program designed to provide financial relief to small businesses located in Philadelphia that have been among the most adversely affected by the latest round of pandemic-related restrictions enacted in November 2020. The online application for the program, which will be available at phila.gov/RGRP, will open at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 28. Applications will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9.

Grant awards are estimated to be up to \$15,000 per business. If approved for a grant, businesses may use the funds as needed to continue operating, including for rent or payroll. Investments in outdoor winterization, improvements in indoor ventilation, and other COVID-related indoor physical space expenses or personal protective equipment (PPE) purchases are also encouraged. Learn more about program details and eligibility [in this press release](#).

Approved Weekend Street Closures for Outdoor Dining (January 22-24): In June, the City launched [four options](#) for restaurants to operate outdoor dining in order to earn much needed revenue. To see this weekend's approved street closures, [view this blog](#). Vehicular traffic should avoid these streets.

Testing Site Map: A testing site finder at phila.gov/testing helps people find a free COVID-19 test in Philadelphia. Anyone can search for a site by address, click on a map location for specific site information, and filter by day of week and by drive-thru or walk-up.

COVID-19 Resources:

- City's COVID-19 homepage: phila.gov/covid-19.
- COVID-19 resources translated [into multiple languages](#).
- Greater Philadelphia Coronavirus Helpline: 1 (800) 722-7112.
- Residents can text COVIDPHL to 888-777 to get updates sent to their phones.
- [Find out more about testing for COVID-19](#).
- Businesses with questions about how to comply with the City's restrictions should email business@phila.gov.

- The [PHL COVID-19 Fund](#) continues to solicit donations to aid nonprofits that are on the frontline of the pandemic.

Resources for Media:

- [Recordings of COVID-19 briefings](#) (Subtitles available in multiple languages).
- [COVID-19 press releases](#).

City announces new grant program for restaurants & gyms

Was this email forwarded to you? Sign up [here](#).

Follow the Commerce Department's [Twitter](#) for updates and visit the City of Philadelphia's latest [resource page for businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic](#).

NEW: GRANT PROGRAM FOR RESTAURANTS AND GYMS

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The online application to the program will be opened at 11 a.m. on Thursday, January 28. Applications will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9. The application will be available at phila.gov/RGRP. All applications will be reviewed after February 9. The program is not first-come, first-served; applications will be awarded based on eligibility and alignment with program priorities. More details on eligibility [can be found here](#).

What Businesses Will Need to Apply

Business owners should gather the following information before applying:

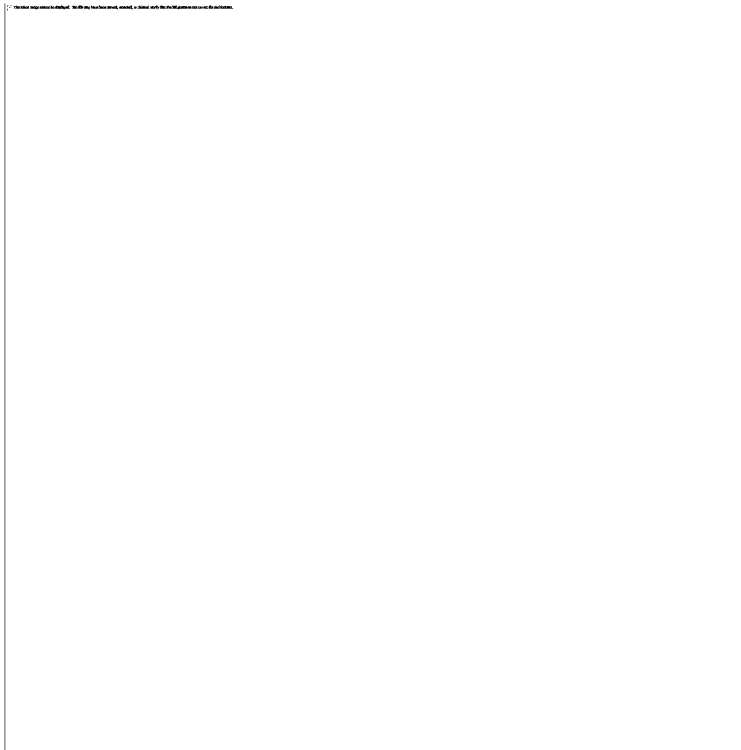
- Basic information, such as:
 - Type and structure of business.
 - Employer Identification Number (EIN), social security number, or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) of business owner.
 - Business Income and Receipts Tax (BIRT) account number from the City of Philadelphia.
 - Annual and quarterly revenue from 2019 and 2020.
 - Number of full-time and part-time employees, pre-COVID and currently.
- Photo(s) of your business, exterior and interior.
- If applicable, details about any damage incurred during civil unrest in 2020, including photos of all damage reported and/or a report from the Philadelphia Police Department.
- A completed and signed W-9 in PDF format. (Note: A blank W-9 for completion [can be obtained online](#).)

Application Assistance

Various [community partners](#) can provide free assistance to businesses who may need help completing the application. This includes language translation services, technological support, and other assistance in filling out the application. These organizations can apply on businesses behalf, with documented consent.

Flyers describing the program, and how businesses can receive assistance applying, [are available in multiple languages here](#).

PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP) REOPENS



The federal Paycheck Protection Program has reopened for applications. Businesses that did not receive funding from the program last year are given first priority, but all businesses that employ 0-300 people, including sole-proprietors, are eligible to apply; this includes businesses that received PPP loans in 2020. PPP can provide significant relief for business owners. [Learn more about PPP, including local organizations that can help business owners apply for the program.](#)

RECENT CHANGES IN RESTRICTIONS

Some business and activity restrictions were lifted as of January 16, 2021. Key changes include:

- Indoor dining is now allowed with 25% of the stated fire code occupancy for seated dining. If the lawful occupancy is unknown, then the density must not exceed one person per 60 square feet in the dining area including staff.
- Theaters and performance spaces will be allowed with a cap on the total number of attendees, including staff, of 10% maximum occupancy. If the maximum occupancy is unknown, allow 10 persons per 1,000 square feet. Everyone in attendance must be masked, and no food or drink is allowed.

For the latest guidance for a wide range of community events, businesses, organizations, schools, and more [visit the Department of Public Health's guidance page.](#)

Outdoor Dining Updates: The City also [recently updated guidelines for outdoor dining](#) in Philadelphia. Businesses should review these specific requirements and regulations before setting up any outdoor dining. These guidelines are subject to change at any time.

DONATE YOUR TECHNOLOGY

Closing the digital divide is more important than ever. Families need computers during the pandemic to learn, work, and connect. [PHLDonateTech](#) is the City of Philadelphia's latest initiative calling on residents and businesses to donate, recycle, and provide computers to families and people in need across Philadelphia.

The campaign requests donations of laptops and desktops in fair or good condition. [Learn more.](#)

76ers SMALL BUSINESS PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

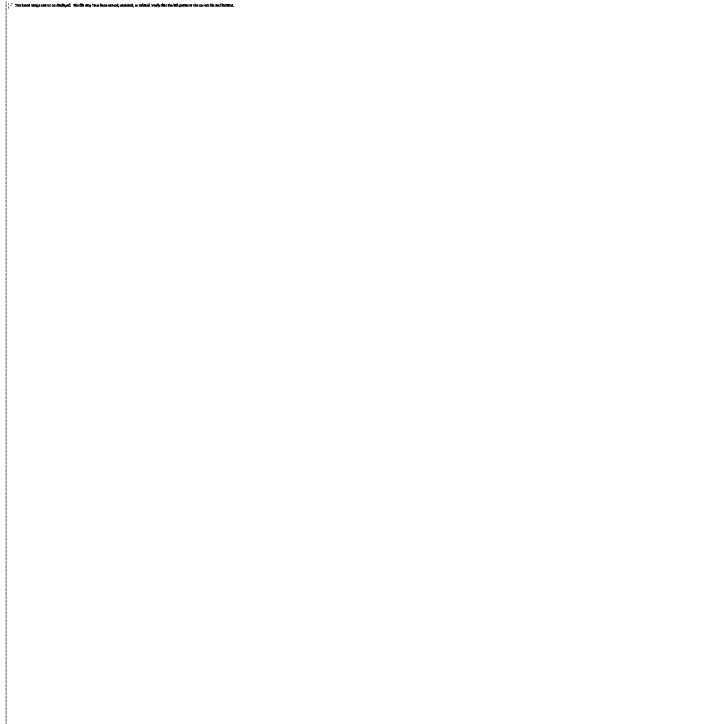
The Philadelphia 76ers recently launched a new program that could allow your business to be featured on their social media channels. Through the Spirit of Small Businesses initiative, the 76ers will have a local small business announce the game, opponent, jersey, and where to watch the game. Participating businesses will also be given the opportunity to promote their business via 76ers social media channels. Any business that is interested [can apply to be featured through this form.](#)

In addition, the 76ers announced earlier this week that they are now accepting applications for their Buy Black Program, which aims to promote local Black-owned businesses and provide them with marketing consultation, advertising value, educational programs and additional tools. Businesses that are interested [can apply to be featured through this form.](#)

PLASTIC BAG BAN UPDATE

To further support Philadelphia businesses, the ordinance on single-use plastic bags will be implemented beginning July 1, 2021—extending the delay of implementation by another six months. There will also be a considerable education and warning period before full enforcement begins in order to provide businesses with ample time to prepare for and comply with the law. **Businesses are still encouraged to begin phasing out their plastic bag supply as soon as possible.** [Learn more about the new timeline for the plastic bag ban.](#)

BUSINESS RESOURCE TOOL



To further support the city's small businesses and entrepreneurial community, the Department of Commerce recently launched a new resource tool that can help connect business owners and entrepreneurs with organizations that offer guidance on starting, running, and growing a business.

On the Business Resource Finder, users can search for free or low-cost services to Philadelphia businesses, including:

- Funding opportunities
- Legal assistance
- Business workshops

The Business Resource Finder can also be found by going to phila.gov/commerce.

NEW: BUSINESS RECOVERY PAYMENT AGREEMENTS

Philadelphia businesses that were in compliance before the pandemic, but are now struggling to pay taxes, can take advantage of new payment agreements. [Watch our video to learn about eligibility and flexible terms.](#)

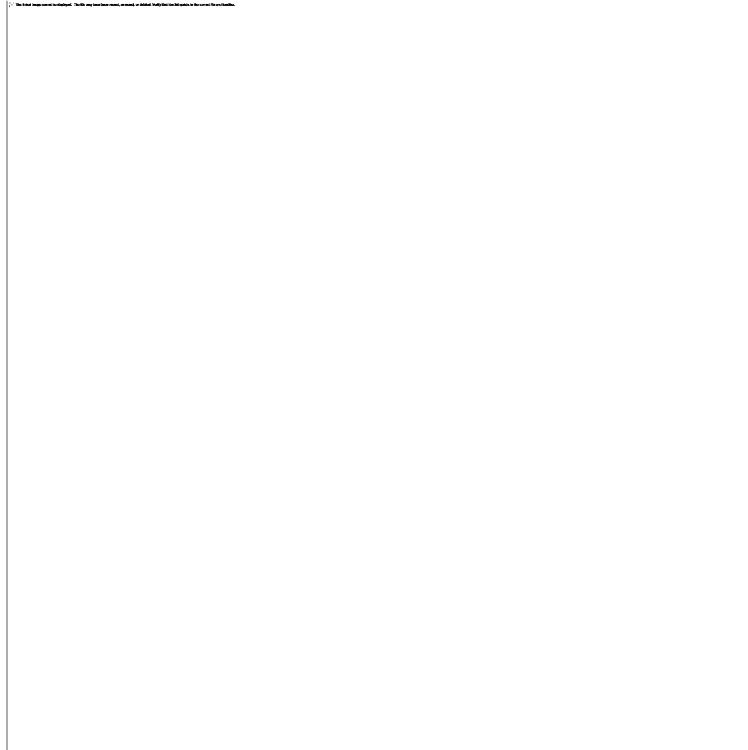
The City can also help businesses that were in a payment agreement – or that already owed taxes – before COVID-related closures. [Go here](#) to find an agreement that best fits your situation.

REGISTER AS A LOCAL BUSINESS ENTITY (LBE) TODAY!

To increase opportunities for small businesses, the City streamlined the application process for small contracts. The threshold requiring formal bids for City contracts is now \$75,000—and \$100,000 for local businesses. However, Philadelphia businesses must be

registered as a Local Business Entity (LBE) to take advantage of the local business threshold. [Business owners can learn more and register here.](#)

SEARCH OPPORTUNITIES: As part of the Local Business Procurement Initiative (LBPI), the City has also [launched a new website called the Contracts Hub](#), where businesses can easily search an aggregated list of opportunities to do business with the City of Philadelphia.



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR BUSINESSES

APPLY NOW: The non-profit [Pennsylvania 30 Day Fund](#) provides forgivable loans for Pennsylvania-based small businesses. The forgivable loan is intended to provide immediate financial assistance to meet payroll and preserve healthcare coverage for employees.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's [Coronavirus Response & Resources page](#) has links to helpful resources on business resilience and disaster recovery.

Learn more about the Philadelphia Department of Revenue's [tax guidance for businesses affected by COVID-19](#), including how businesses that overestimated their 2020 Business Income & Receipts Taxes (BIRT) estimated payment can amend their return and receive a refund.

Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation (PIDC) has a [list of resources for business owners](#), including a [breakdown of funding programs](#) that remain available.

The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) has a [useful set of resources](#) for impacted businesses.

Temple University's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is offering one-on-one appointments, webinars, and recordings that [can be accessed here](#).

[SCORE has mentors available](#) to assist with questions on how to complete applications for assistance.

[Resources from the U.S. Department of Labor are available](#) for employers and workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Go [here for information and resources for businesses](#) impacted by COVID-19.

Business owners should require sick staff to stay home. Learn more about Philadelphia's [sick leave policies here](#).

Stay Updated on COVID-19 in Philadelphia

- Text the keyword COVIDPHL to 888-777 to receive info and updates through ReadyPhiladelphia, the city's mass communication system.
- For all information, go to www.phila.gov/covid-19.
- Follow the Philadelphia Public Health Department on [Twitter](#) for ongoing updates.
- Read about [information for businesses and employers](#) from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

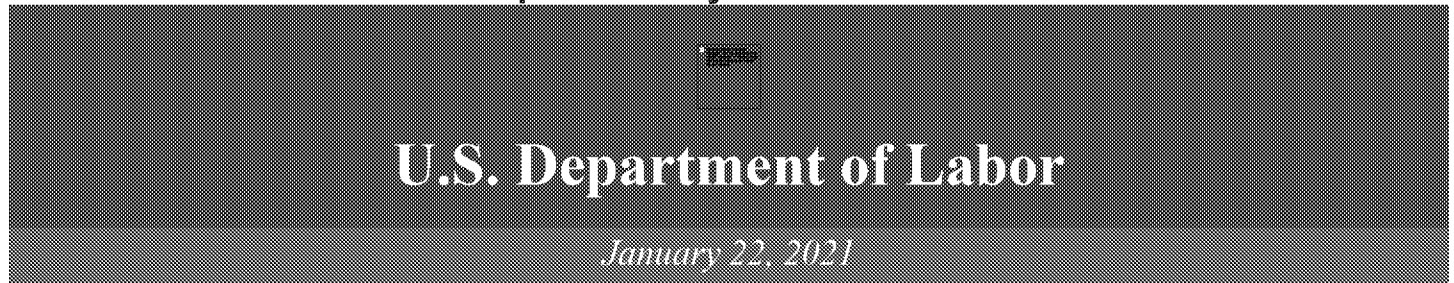
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City of Philadelphia Plans for Distributing Vaccine

FAQs: <https://www.phila.gov/programs/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/vaccines/frequently-asked-questions/>

Vaccine interest form for Philadelphia residents

US DOL: COVID-19 and Workplace Safety



Coronavirus Protections

As part of President Joe Biden's National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness, an executive order on worker health and safety directs the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue updated guidance on COVID-19 worker protections. It also directs OSHA and the Mine Safety and Health Administration to consider issuing emergency temporary standards.

Unemployment Insurance Action

President Biden signed an executive order encouraging the Labor Department to clarify that workers who refuse employment due to coronavirus exposure concerns should be eligible for unemployment benefits.



Federal Coronavirus Protections

An executive order aimed at combating the coronavirus requires all federal employees and visitors to federal property to wear face masks, maintain physical distance and follow other recommended precautions.



Diversity and Equity

President Biden revoked an executive order that limited the ability of federal agencies and contractors to conduct diversity training. He also directed all federal agencies to review and report on barriers to opportunity within their policies and programs.



Preventing Discrimination

A new executive order prohibits workplace discrimination on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation.





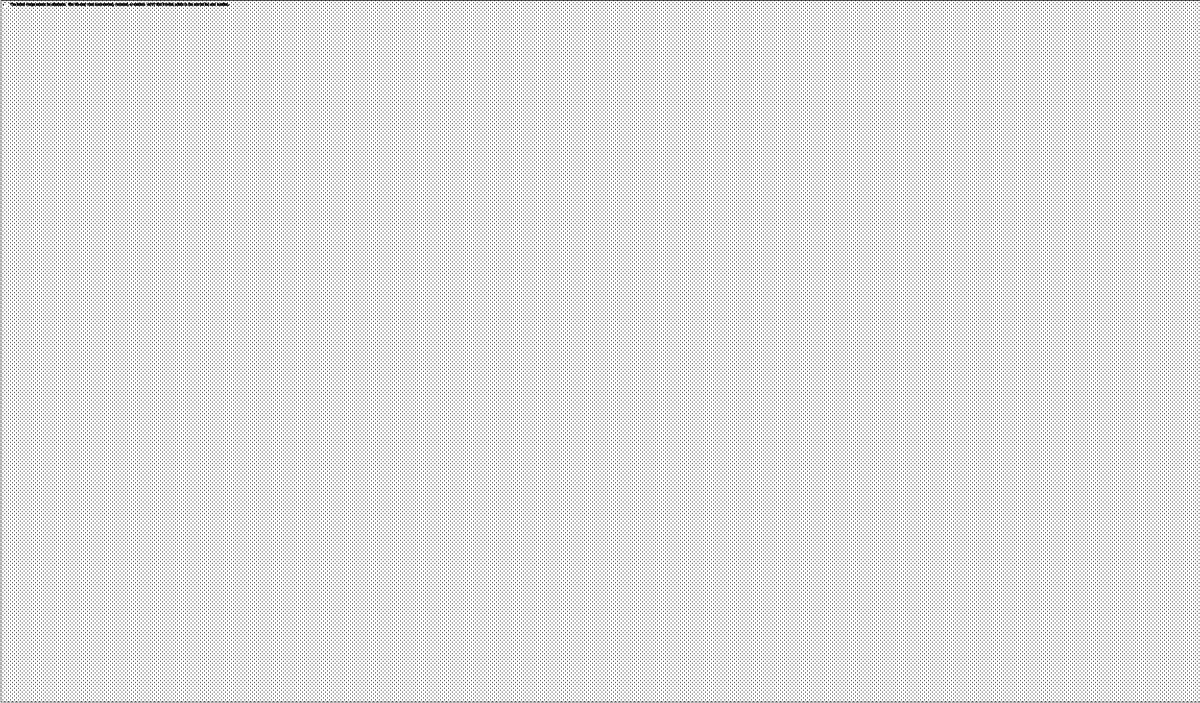
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200 Constitution Ave NW, Washington, DC 20210
www.dol.gov | 1-866-4USADOL (1-866-487-2365)

SEPTA Update - Mask Force Philly

Customers will begin to see Mask Force Philly deployed on the Septa system starting on Wednesday, January 27. Mask Force members will carry complimentary FTA masks to offer those who may need one, as well as hand sanitizer and printed "safety tips" cards.

You Can Be A Hero! Donate Blood



Even though our daily lives are different, one fact remains unchanged: **Blood donations are needed every day.** When you come to donate, you are not only helping trauma patients, those battling diseases and others, but also supporting our heroes on the front lines.

The last thing hospitals should have to worry about during the coronavirus outbreak is the availability of lifesaving blood. Your next donation can help ensure hospitals are prepared for anything!

[Schedule Now](#)

The American Red Cross offers a variety of donation opportunities to accommodate your busy schedule.

[Explore more donation locations by zip code and/or appointment date now.](#)

All donations are **tested for COVID-19 antibodies**. Plasma from antibody-positive donations may help current coronavirus patients in need. **Learn more.**

A Special COVID-19 Update:

Earlier this year, we implemented rigorous COVID-19 safety protocols: temperature checks prior to entering the drive or donation center; social distancing between donation beds as well as waiting and refreshment areas; donors and staff in approved face coverings (don't forget to bring your mask); hand sanitizer available for all; and even more rigorous cleanliness procedures than usual.

There's new FDA blood donation eligibility guidance for those who receive a COVID-19 vaccination. But good news, there's no deferral time if you receive the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine. If you receive a vaccine, knowing the name of the manufacturer is critical in determining your eligibility.

All donations are tested for COVID-19 antibodies. Results available within one to two weeks via your donor account on both [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org) and the [Blood Donor App](#).

The Red Cross follows the **highest standards of safety and infection control**. In accordance with CDC guidelines, **all donors are required to wear a face covering or mask**. Valve face masks are not permitted. Face shields can be worn in addition to face masks but not as a substitute.

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